

reprinted by Mr. Newton, "Syst. List of the F. E. Edwards Coll. of Brit. Olig. and Eocene Moll.," p. 320, though their source is not mentioned), attribute 12 instead of 11 parts to the work, and are wrong in other minor particulars. Through the kindness, however, of Messrs. Dulau & Co., communication was opened with the original publishers of the work, and the following authoritative details have been obtained which set the matter at rest:—

- Lief. 1-3 : pp. 1-96, pls. i-xii, 1870.
 „ 4-5 : pp. 97-160, pls. xiii-xx, 1871.
 „ 6-8 : pp. 161-256, pls. xxi-xxxii, 1872.
 „ 9-10 : pp. 257-352, pls. xxxiii-xxxvi, 1873.
 „ 11 : pp. i-viii, 353-1000, 1875.

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CEMENT AS A SLUG-KILLER! (*Read 8th December, 1905.*)—The accompanying photograph shows the fate that overtakes the unwary slug that essays a journey over a surface of dry cement. The porous material simply sucks all the moisture out of its body, and unless the animal can effect a good retreat it speedily succumbs. The tragedy here shown took place in the early morning of 13th September last at the back of my house in Ealing, and was kindly photographed for me by my neighbour, Mr. C. C. Roberts. The copious exudation of glistening mucous is clearly



shown, as well as the frantic efforts of the unfortunate mollusc to escape from the sucking action of the cement, by rearing and flinging itself to one side or the other, instead of steadily progressing over the surface. The dead slug is seen at the end of the trail of slime, which was so tenaciously retained by the cement that it was still visible in November.

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